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About 1 April 1952 Frana Pakosta arrived from Prague to become editor-in-chief of Videnski Mensinove Listi, Czech Communist newspaper in Vienna, a post which he had held between 1945 and 1949. Since 1949 Pakosta has served as editor-in-chief of Czechoslovenski Svet, publication of the Czech Foreign Institute in Prague II. Among the members of the Czech minority in Vienna it is rumored that Pakosta has returned to institute a purge amongst the personnel of Videnski Mensinove Listi. It is expected that Pakosta will work in close cooperation with the Czech Legation since the newspaper is financed largely from Legation funds.

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